IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

| In re Application of: |) |
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| Benjamin H. MALKA et al. |) Group Art Unit: 3696 |
| Application No. 10/712,353 |) Examiner: Ella COLBERT |
| Filed: November 14, 2003 |) |
| For: SYSTEMS AND METHODS FOR MANAGING A FINANCIAL INVESTMENT FUND |) Confirmation No. 1450) |

Mail Stop: Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION

In reply to the Office Action mailed November 10, 2009, the period for response having been extended through March 10, 2010, by a Petition for Extension of Time of one month and fee payment filed concurrently herewith, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims in this paper. **Remarks** follow the amendments section of this paper.